

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 are now pending in the application. Applicant has amended claims 1-2 and 4-8, and added new claims 11-20. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejections in view of the amendments and remarks contained herein.

SPECIFICATION

The specification stands objected to for certain informalities. Applicant has amended the specification according to the Examiner's suggestions. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the objection to the specification, therefore, are respectfully requested.

CLAIM OBJECTIONS

Claims 1, 4 and 8 stand objected to for certain informalities. Applicant has amended claims 1, 4 and 8 according to the Examiner's suggestions. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the objections to the claims, therefore, are respectfully requested.

REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claims 2 and 5-8 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Applicant has amended claims 2 and 5-8 to address each limitation that was indefinite or lacked antecedent basis. Reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection, therefore, are respectfully requested.

REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 1, 8, and 9 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Lindskog (U.S. Pat. No. 6564726). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claim 1 is amended to clarify the structure of the claimed valuables case. In this regard, the claimed valuables case is directed to a structure that includes a safety device having a measuring and triggering device that is adapted to monitor various parameters such as volume, pressure, and temperature. The claimed valuables case also includes vibration generator that generates vibrations in a liquid of a holding chamber. These vibrations are also monitored by the measuring and triggering device.

If a change occurs to one of the parameters listed above, the vibrations generated by the vibration generator will also experience a change that is monitored by the measuring and triggering device. If a change in vibrations occurs, the measuring and triggering device may actuate an explosive charge that allows the ink of the valuables case to penetrate the interior of the case and at least inhibit theft of the securities within the case.

Lindskog fails to disclose a valuables case defined by claim 1 and its corresponding dependent claims. At a minimum, Lindskog fails to disclose vibration generator for generating vibrations. In contrast, at best, Lindskog merely discloses a vibration sensor for detecting vibrations caused by external forces that may be used when someone is attempting a forced entry into the device. Please see column 4, lines 54 to 60. Because the vibrations are caused by an external force, and not a vibration generator, Applicant respectfully asserts that Lindskog fails to anticipate claim 1 and each corresponding dependent claim.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully submits that claim 1 and its corresponding dependent claims are not anticipated.

REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claim 2 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Lindskog (U.S. Pat. No. 6564726) in view of Hanausek (DE. Pat. No. 399790 C); claims 3 and 10 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Lindskog (U.S. Pat. No. 6564726); and claims 5 to 7 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Lindskog (U.S. Pat. No. 6564726) in view of Claesson (US Pub. No. 2002/0033083 A1). These rejections are respectfully traversed.

Claims 2, 3, 5-7 and 10 depend from claim 1, addressed above. Claims 2, 3, 5-7, and 10 are neither anticipated nor obvious for at least the same reasons.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection, therefore, are respectfully requested.

ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER AND NEW CLAIMS

The Examiner states that claim 4 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Applicant acknowledges, with thanks, the allowable subject matter of claim 4. New claims 11-19 include the allowable subject matter of claim 4. Accordingly, claims 11-19 should be in condition for allowance.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action and the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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